

COMING SOON.....



KINGSTON CHURCHES

Archadia's 3-unit affordable rent residential scheme on a garage site in the Borough of Kingston upon Thames for Kingston Churches Housing Association is making good progress on site. Being on a tight site, it is a combination of single and 1.5 storeys to keep the bulk of the building to a minimum and not create an overshadowing issue. When complete at the end of May, it will provide high quality dwellings enhancing the conservation area making a positive contribution to the affordable housing provision.



ARCHADIA LAUNCHES NEW TOWN PLANNING DEPARTMENT

Archadia are pleased to announce the launch of an in-house town planning consultancy at the end of April. The department will be headed by Karen Haizelden MRTPI who will bring with her extensive planning experience including the role of Planning Manager for the London Borough of Sutton. Karen has been running a south-west London based planning consultancy for a number of years and has worked for several Borough Councils within the Greater London and Home Counties area.

Prior to setting up her own planning consultancy, Karen was Town Planning Manager at Tesco where she was involved with complex mixed use and regeneration projects successfully steering applications through the planning process to help achieve 300,000sqft of new retail floor space per year.

This is an exciting development for Archadia and as the planning process has become more complex, expensive, controversial and slower, this new venture will enable us to strengthen our offer to clients and enable us to provide greater value by providing expertise on a full range of planning services, cutting through red tape and jargon and steering applications through the planning process as swiftly and efficiently as possible.

ARCHADIA JOINT PRESENTATION AT HOUSING LIN MEETING

Continuing our close involvement with Housing LIN, Mark Slater took part in a joint presentation entitled 'Perspective from Planning, Architecture and Planning Law on Implications and Opportunities for New Development in 2019' with Icen and Wedlake Bell at the London Region Housing LIN meeting which took place at Thamesmead at the end of January.



BEECHWOOD GROVE COMPLETES

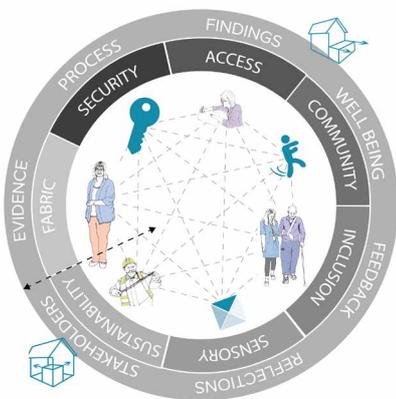
Archadia's 55-bed Extra Care scheme in Albert Road, Caversham for A2 Dominion has just completed and will open its doors to new residents in April. Mark Slater was invited to a site tour and a tasty test lunch provided by the new caterers earlier this month.

Working closely with the local authority, Archadia successfully steered the scheme design through Planning and continued to work with A2 Dominion and Feltham Construction during the site stage.

Set in landscaped gardens with a bowls green chicken coop, the scheme offers 43 apartments providing one and two bedroom high quality homes for the over 55's. Combined with stimulating social activities and professional healthcare support is a full suite of communal areas which include a lounge, a bistro and luxurious spa services.

ARCHADIA FOUNDATIONS BRONZE PARTNER

Archadia are delighted to announce we are a bronze partner of Foundations, the national body for Home Improvement Agencies which leads on the transformation of Disabled Facilities Grants. We are currently working on a DFG research report which will be launched shortly.



ARCHADIA APPOINTED AS SCRIBE FOR HOUSING & CARE 21

Archadia were recently appointed to scribe a series of illustrations for Housing & Care 21 at the Age-Friendly Housing & Communities Conference in Birmingham. A variety of leading academics and speakers from Age UK, Housing LIN, BRE and International Federation on Ageing took part in a series of debates, discussions and break-out sessions covering current and future challenges in developing age-friendly housing, dementia, the increasing role of digital technology, age-friendly design and the demand for and impact of extra care housing. The lively set of illustrations will be included in Housing & Care 21's conference write-ups.

